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MORROW

Uses Liquor Question as Camouflage
For an Extra Session
Call.

Reform Administration See Hand-
writing and Grow Reckless
With Taxes.

Board of Safety Tired of Explaining
the Brawls of the Keystone
Police.

KEYSTONERS VISITING FOLKS.

Won't someone please step forward and give Howdy Ed Morrow a real good excuse to call an extra session of the Legislature and put an end to his painful efforts to draft an alibi for his actions? This week he addressed the legal fraternity and hinted that there should be a demand for an extra session of the Legislature to enact laws to stop the awful crimes of men who are selling whisky and corrupting our morals. Our Governor told with tears in his eyes of the pitiful letters he is receiving from ministers and leading reformers asking for punishment of those bad, bold men who are selling today. What a striking picture for the voters—Howdy Ed Morrow fighting the whisky ring—and how like our Senator Beckham, who was a bitter opponent of liquor. Speaking of Beckham, we note that he is now a director in the International Reform Bureau, which is leading the movement for Blue Sunday laws, which propose to bring America back to Puritan days. With Morrow and Beckham to down whisky and keep Kentuckians from straying from the path of righteousness the New Year means much to the residents of the old State.

The lower board of the General Council by an overwhelming vote has decided that it is opposed to a raise in fares for the Street Car Company, and its action still leaves a mystery unsolved. Why does the same board unanimously vote to allow the Cumberland and Home Telephone Companies to raise their rates? If the Street Car Company is forbidden to raise the rates, why the preference for the phone companies. At every session of the lower board where the question of giving relief to the Street Car Company was considered, the members of the board have been in ringing speeches denouncing the proposed raise in fares. Yet when the ordinance was read giving the phone companies the right to put over their "gouge" Councilmen Nick and another two or three were asleep in their chairs. Members of civic bodies riddled to pieces the arguments of the Cumberland Phone Company for pre-war rates, yet the "gouge" was passed. The Louisville Home Telephone Company will come next. Then watch the Councilmen who pose as representatives of the people when the street car raise is considered. Take notice of their stand when the phone companies want a raise. The Street Car Company has paid an annual dividend of 7 per cent. Ask your Councilman why the "reform" administration favors the phone companies against the Street Car Company.

The two dollar rate is a awful increase. Assessments, the Keystone police, the "hick" fire department, the dirty and filthy streets, all lead one to realize that the "reform" administration realizes that this is the last year of its reign. Four years of the Hert-Searcy-Chilton machine and the near Mayor is about all the public can stand, and the next election will verify an old and established precedent, that no Republican administration, whether State or local, ever succeeded itself. Go where you will, public gathering, private residence or back of a street car, you will hear the same expression of opinion from every white man or woman free from any connection with the present city and county administration. "I am going to vote against this crowd next November," and "The Democratic ticket will win easily next year" is the popular sentiment. A Democratic ticket headed by Davis Brown, Fred Keisker, Wiley Bryan, James R. Duffin or some prominent business man, will have easy sailing against Ches and Tobie's hand-picked ticket. Tobie's little camouflage about selecting non-partisan judges will not offset a ticket that is pledged to carry the present disorganized police and fire departments.

The Republican leaders who control the present administration are smart enough to realize that the public has soured on the G. O. P. locally and the word has gone out to grab everything in sight for the last year. A big tax rate will mean a plum for the contractors and others on the favored list, and a fatigued treasury for the Republican League, which gets \$2 each from all city and county employees every month and then some. But no one ever heard who is treasurer of the Republican League or who gets the money. Here's a tip to the poor boob who donates freely to the Republican League, which by the way is a bit of an opponent of claim shaving. The Republican League fund will be used to carry over the present bosses after their defeat in November. There will be many long, lean years ahead of the Hert-Searcy-Chilton machine and many a gallon of water will flow under the bridge before the public can forget four years of near Mayor Smith, the Keystone police and the incompe-

tent administration. This year will also be a year of trouble. Like rats deserting a sinking ship, city and county employees will begin exposing the weaknesses and faults of the crew who were elected on a "reform" platform.

The Board of Safety, realizing the futility of trying to fool the public any more, has given up trying to explain the escapades and drunken brawls of the Keystone cops. As for instance, Patrolman Eker Keese, who was carried home in the patrol "soused to the gills," is back on duty and the board said that he was just drunk and talked too much. That's plain enough, ain't it? A year ago Paul, Joe and Lewis Y. would have given a long and detailed story of how the Keystone drank whisky by mistake, thinking it was Epp's cola, but now! The drunken Keystoneers come up so often now that the explaining trio have given it up as a bad job. This past week the Sixth and Fourth district patrols each hauled home a drunken Keystoneer and no report was even made. The board was a little harsh in the case of Officers McQuady and Lee, though. These two cops fought all over the street while on duty and Lee had to be taken to the hospital for repairs. It developed in the trial that one of the Keystoneers objected to his partner "having a lady" accompany him on his rounds, being a third policeman on that beat without any extra charge to the taxpayers. The Board of Safety announced that both McQuady and Lee had been "fired," but if the board follows its past precedent Lee and McQuady will be slipped back on the payroll when the public isn't looking.

As most of our police department come from the rural region, the following are extracts from their home press in regard to their holiday visits:

Ezra Tucker, one of our home boys who is now a constable on the Louisville police force, was here for the holidays with lots of tall stories about doing in the big metropolis.

Gravel Switch Bugle.
Eph Cortosel, of the Louisville police, wore his uniform over to Bill Spivak's store Xmas day and gave the boys a real treat. Oh you Eph—Bunk Clarion.

Seth Penblossom, who left the farm for the big town of Louisville, is prospering mightily, being promoted from motor-man on the cars to the police force. (All the folks here knew Seth was bound to rise.—Bracken County Weekly.)

Hiram Greengrass, of the Louisville police force, was the guest of honor at the county Xmas dinner held in the opera house, and Officer Hiram's stories of the wickedness in the Falls City would make your hair stand on end.—Horse Cave Gazette.

Louie Holstead, of this town, who took a mail order course on "Detective," is now in Louisville sleuth, and we'll bet the crooks ain't fooling Officer Louie much.—Pike Beagle.

Silas Perkins, a Louisville cop, was home this week and told how he didn't bet the city folks calling him a Keystoneer as the real joke was on them, Silas drawing \$4 per day from the taxpayers. Atta boy, Sil.—Poppinsville News.

TEAR DOWN OLD GLORY.

A howling mob of McGill University students tore down an American flag in Montreal on November 20, spat upon it, trampled it under foot, and then did a "smack dance" on the soiled and trampled remnant. The news of this insult, refused transmission out of Canada over the telegraph wires, reached the Boston Sunday Advertiser by mail. The incident has been called to the attention of Congress General Halstead. The American Legion of Montreal has called a special meeting to take action on the insult. An eye-witness told this story:

"Remonstrance to this act of insult to another nation's flag was made by a small minority of Irish and Jewish Canadian students. It precipitated a free-for-all fight. The defenders were soon beaten and were helpless witnesses of all that followed."

SUSPEND BUREAUS.

Employment bureaus conducted by the Knights of Columbus for former service men throughout the country will be discontinued, the committee of supreme officers announced after a meeting in New York on Monday. Since the armistice these bureaus have been the means of securing employment for ex-service men in all the cities of the country, in many places the number running high up in the thousands.

JEFFERSONVILLE.

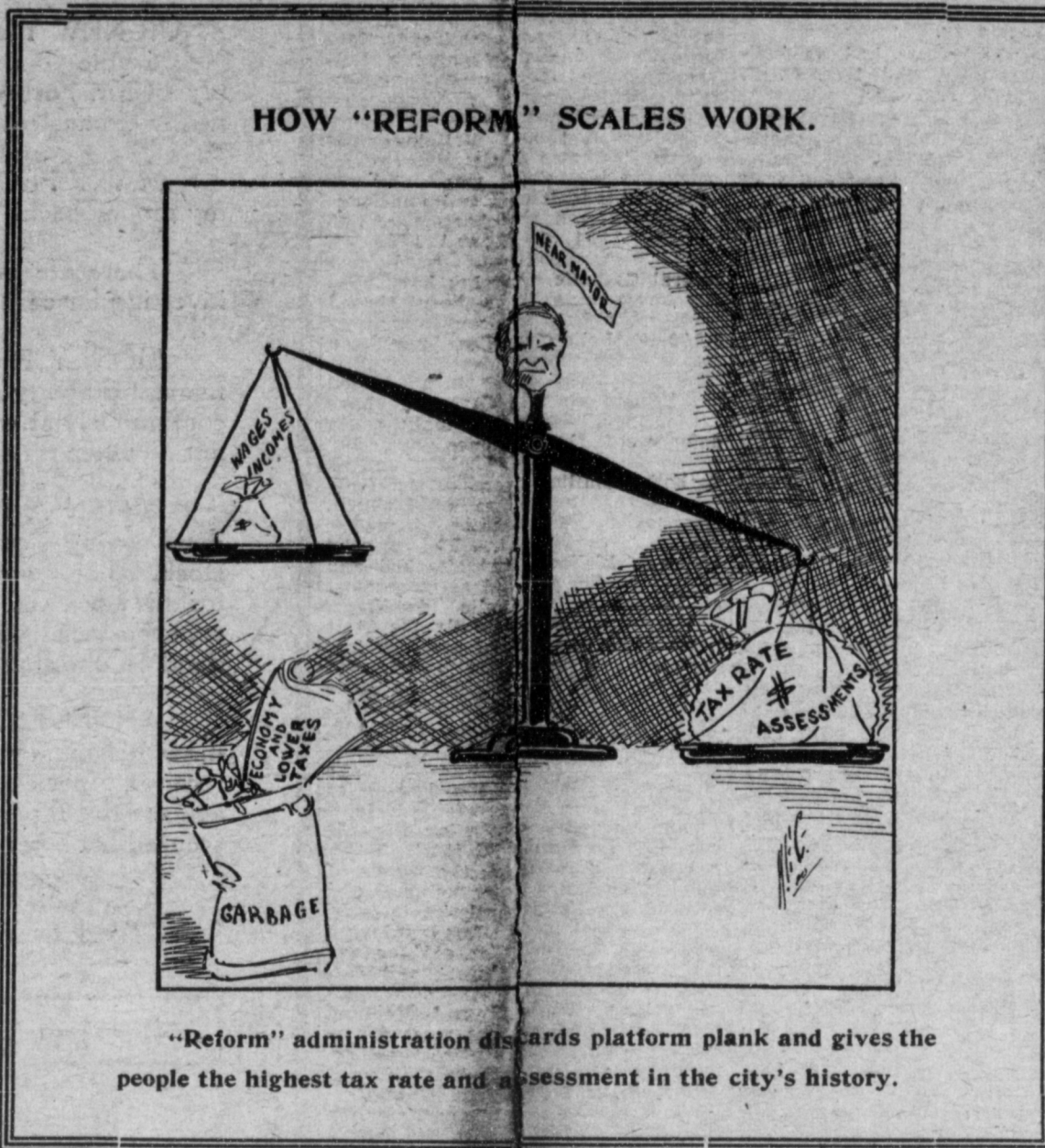
The name of Michael O'Neal, of Jeffersonville, is given favorable mention for distinguished service rendered during the World War in a publication just issued by the War Department. O'Neal was Sergeant of Company Fifth Machine Gun Brigade, Third Division, and was wounded in France on October 4, 1918, but refused to leave the field until he had his men to cover and re-established his guns for action.

RETURNS TO IRELAND.

Mrs. Muriel MacSwiney, widow of the Lord Mayor of Cork, who testified in Washington before the Committee of One Hundred investigating conditions in Ireland, will sail for home today from New York.

AMERICANS HEAR CARDINAL.

Cardinal Mercier, Primate of Belgium, before completing his Rome visit, called at the American College and delivered an address to the students. He met Robert Underwood Johnson, the American Ambassador, at the college.



"Reform" administration discards platform plank and gives the people the highest tax rate and assessment in the city's history.

IRELAND

Reign of Terror Roundly Scored by
the Women's International
League.

Denounce Arson, Murder and Looting
by the England Soldiers
and Police.

Visited Belfast, Derry, Dublin, Balbrigan, Limerick, Tuam, Galway and Cork.

PURPOSE TO RUIN IRISH TRADE

The report of the Mission of the Women's International League, who recently visited Ireland, scores the reign of terror carried out by the English Government in Ireland. The Mission were Belfast, Derry, Limerick, Dublin, Balbrigan, Limerick, Limerick, Ennistymon, Tuam, Galway, Cork and Malin. The report is, in part, as follows:

"Our Government have stated that their policy toward Ireland is war! The Irish people draw a distinction between 'war' and 'murder'—and where as (they assert) sixty-two civilians have in nine months of this year been 'murdered' by the forces of the Crown, the number of Irish who have fallen 'in war' would run into hundreds. In the Government estimate, on the other hand, all members of the forces of the Crown who have been killed are added to the account of 'murders.' We do not justify either 'war' or 'murder,' but we wish to make this point clear. Spies and informers are an essential part of the government where the mass of the people are hostile. There is no co-operation between governors and governed, and the army of occupation (whether military proper or armed police) is demoralized by perpetual and agonizing fear, and the constant use of debasing methods of espionage and lawless intimidation and revenge. The war waged by the English authorities is waged largely on women and children, and (in so far as the South and West are concerned) generally on unarmed men.

"We have repeated evidence of the attempt by the British Government to fasten upon Sinn Feiners the responsibility for outrages of which the Government forces were guilty, and Lloyd George's speeches were frequently cited as gross instances of distortion of fact when he suggested that the Government forces were only defending themselves from attack and entirely ignored the sacking and looting, the 'murder and arson' (to use Judge Bodkin's words), of which there were scores of examples in all the towns and villages visited by us. Members of our mission spoke personally with many of the surviving relatives of men murdered by the forces of the Crown, or with men whose assassination had been attempted and failed. English papers for the most part do not record these, while they record and amplify all on the other side. Some of the members of our mission made inquiries into the position of the Protestant minority; and for this purpose visited Roman Catholics and Protestants of different de-

K. OF C.

Best Known Landmark of the War
in New York City
Vanishes.

Not Less Than One Million Men
Have Crossed Hospitable
Threshold.

As an Employment Bureau Found
Work For Soldiers and
Sailors.

ALWAYS GAVE FREE SERVICE.

After today, New Year's, the best known landmark of the war in New York City will be no more. The Knights of Columbus hut in Longacre Square will have vanished with the majority of New York evidences of the great conflict. For approximately two years the City of New York has been the genial host of the K. of C. but that stood as an island of safety and comfort to the ex-service men at the intersection of Broadway and Seventh Avenue with Forty-sixth street. The purpose for which the hut was erected, have been fully served and the city of New York has decided to take over the space to use it as an island for the thousands of pedestrians who seek to cross the main artery of New York at that strategic shopping point.

Two years ago when the K. of C. hut was formally opened by a galaxy of theatrical stars it was intended that the hut should be an oasis of entertainment to the thousands of service men passing through New York. The Knights made it such, under the leadership of patriotic women—Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., Mrs. Alfred W. Johnson and Miss Elizabeth Marbury—and staged hundreds of entertainments and afternoon teas for thousands of former soldiers, sailors and marines. Raymond Hitchcock, Joseph Santley, Fred Stone, Walter C. Kelly and scores of other stars appeared in the K. of C. hut. At one time Karl K. Kitchen produced an entire Broadway show, "She's a Good Fellow," in the hut, where five hundred service men jammed the place to hear the fun. That was the capacity of the hut, but when it was filled three and four times a day it is easy to believe that no fewer than one million men have trod the threshold of the service men's show place since it was opened in January, 1919. Here are the bare figures of its operation: Three thousand quarts of ice cream distributed; 4,000 gallons of tea and coffee; 1,000 pounds of cake and 2,500 pounds of candy, besides gallons and gallons of ice water, while the Knights checked 45,000 pieces of baggage free of charge for soldiers and sailors.

When in June, 1919, the hut was transformed into an employment bureau to be New York headquarters of the great K. of C. employment service, the entertainment features were abandoned to make room for the more serious purpose of providing jobs for soldiers, sailors and marines who needed them badly. The Knights initiated the system of paying former service men \$4 and \$5 per day to find jobs

GENEROUS TO ORPHANS.

Catholics of the Louisville diocese contributed generously to the Christmas collection taken up in all the churches for the orphans of St. Vincent's, St. Joseph's and St. Thomas Homes. While no announcement of the amount realized has yet been made, it is expected the contributions will exceed those of last year, when \$10,000 was received. There was also a generous response to the appeal made Sunday morning for contributions for the widows and orphans of Europe.

THE HOLY SEE.

Twenty-six countries are now represented diplomatically at the Holy See. This is an increase of twelve countries since 1914, as shown by official communications of the Vatican.

for themselves and their comrades, a system that resulted in thousands of jobs being found—the Knights establishing a minimum wage of \$20 per week for a single man without dependents.

Now with the closing of the hut the K. of C. announce that since they operated it as an employment bureau they have found 65,000 jobs, entirely free of charge to employer and employee, for former service men, which means, on the basis of professional employment bureau fees, the hut has been instrumental in saving some \$350,000 for former service men in fees. The K. of C., it may be added, was one of the few organizations not charging former service men for job finding services. But the Knights have yet to receive their first penny from an ex-service man, as their policy has always been that the war fund entrusted to them was to be spent on and not invested in the service men.

The Knights are closing the hut because it has filled well every purpose for which it was opened. A record of 65,000 jobs out of a total of 500,000 found by the K. of C. gives it enviable distinction.

SERIOUS LABOR PROBLEM.

Emergency measures to prevent the influx of unskilled and semi-skilled labor from out of town to overflow the metropolitan market are urged in the final employment report for 1920 issued by Supreme Secretary William J. McGinley, of the Knights of Columbus. "In New York we are face to face with a serious condition," his report reads, "not so much due to lack of employment for New Yorkers, but to lack of work for those who have no right to expect New York to supply them with jobs. The same condition is true of Boston, Chicago, St. Louis and other large cities. Our employment bureaus have satisfactorily done their work of finding jobs for ex-service men, but the difficulties, but we find increasing invasion of the large cities by men who might easily find employment in the small towns. In New York especially we can attribute at least something of the impetus of the so-called crime wave to the presence in the city of large numbers of indigent job hunters from out of town. Of 700 men applying for jobs of the K. of C. within the last four days 500 were out-of-town men. There is some reason for men in special callings coming to New York, but there is absolutely no reason why steps should not be taken to prevent the large influx of low-paid labor that could be placed in the smaller cities and towns. The nation faces no sterner problem than this of correcting the haphazard and wasteful distribution of unskilled and semi-skilled labor."

PROBLEM BEING SOLVED.

At a meeting of the Women's International League in Kingway Hall, London, Mrs. A. Robinson, who had recently visited Belfast and neighboring towns, said: "I had gone there with the belief that the two parties were irreconcilable. I have seen the bitterness that exists, but I have come back firm in the belief that the problem was being solved by the awakened consciousness of Labor and the Sinn Fein propaganda; the parties are inevitably drawing together." Now we wonder how the traitor Carson interprets the conclusions of this meeting. At this meeting a resolution was adopted demanding "the withdrawal of Britain's armed forces from Ireland, and that the keeping of order be put into the hands of the local councils, thus creating conditions under which the Irish people might determine and establish their own form of government." Mrs. Despard, sister of Viceroy French, presided at this meeting.

SCHOLARSHIPS.

A competitive examination for the graduate scholarships established by the Knights of Columbus in the Catholic University will be held April 16, 1921. Applications should be filed before March 15. The examination is open to students who have received the Bachelor's Degree in Arts, Science or Letters, and to those who are now in the Senior class in college. Students who desire a K. of C. scholarship to enter the Law School of the University must have received both the Bachelor's Degree (in Arts, Science or Letters) and the degree Bachelor of Arts.

TAKES FIRM STAND.

In the recent secret consistory the Pope again denounced the schismatic association, known as the "Jeonota," in the Czechoslovak clergy. He declared that the Catholic Church would never abolish nor mitigate the law imposing celibacy on the clergy and would never introduce in church discipline such democratic forms as were asked by certain Czechoslovak priests. The Pontiff said that German priests, who at first belonged to the "Jeonota," had later withdrawn from that organization, and he expressed the hope that the Czechoslovak clergy would do likewise.

CAMP HENRY KNOX.

Col. Manus McCloskey, commander of the Eighty-third Field Artillery, Camp Henry Knox, has been ordered to report to Fort Sheridan, Ill., as head of the Intelligence Department of the Sixth Corps area. The news of Col. McCloskey's transfer was announced Tuesday by the War Department, when the officer said that he expected to leave in about two weeks.

NAZARETH COLLEGE.

A dance and card party will be given January 7 by Nazareth College. The chaperons will be Messrs. and Mesdames E. J. O'Brien and J. C. Michael.

BRITISH

Government Imposes Severe Penalty
on Editor of Freeman's
Journal.

Verdict Rendered in Face of Evidence Tendered For Accused Men.

Were Seized in Court and Dragged to Prison Before Verdict Is Rendered.

MANY ENGLISHMEN INDIGNANT.

Newspaper men, among whom P. J. Hooper, editor of the Freeman's Journal of Dublin and an anti-Sinn Feiner, is highly respected and esteemed, are appalled by the sentence of imprisonment for twelve months and a fine of \$15,000 imposed upon him by the court martial of Dublin Castle.

The verdict of guilty for an illegal act was rendered in the face of evidence of the authenticity of the photograph of the flag, which the newspaper published, but also the injuries inflicted by military order upon the boys in Portobello Barracks.

The motive underlying the course of the Irish Secretary, Sir Hamar Greenwood, upon the Freeman's Journal appears to be not the vindication of justice but intimidation of the press for criticizing his administration. There is a remarkable story behind Hooper's sentence which illustrates Sir Hamar Greenwood's determination, backed by military force, to permit no interference with his policy in Ireland.

Hamilton Edwards, an Englishman well known in Fleet street, and Martin Fitzgerald, a Dublin merchant of high standing, the proprietors of the Freeman's Journal, were sentenced a couple of weeks ago by the same court martial to imprisonment for six months and to a fine of \$2,500 for publishing a rumor that a certain policeman in County Wexford had been murdered by the Black and Tans. This severe punishment made some stir in the English press and, as a result of influence privately exerted by the English Cabinet, agreed a few days ago to release Edwards and Fitzgerald. Before that became known it was understood that Hooper, against whom there was no case, would get a committal sentence. The military chiefs and Secretary Greenwood bitterly resented the promised release of the two proprietors. In order to make release difficult, if not impossible, they have inflicted this sentence upon the editor.

Promulgation of Hooper's sentence was delayed until the day after Parliament had risen for a recess of six weeks, and so there could be no chance of ventilating the affair in the House of Commons. Timothy Healy, King's counsel and formerly member of Parliament, who appeared for the defense, showed during Hooper's trial that two officers of the regiment incriminated in the outrage on the boy were sitting as members of the court martial. This exposure necessitated the reconstruction of the court, to the chagrin of the authorities, who came back on Healy by removing the regular Irish constabulary from the little village in which he lives, outside of Dublin, and replacing it with Black and Tans.

When the trial was finished and the verdict reserved Hooper, who had previously been at large and was not yet pronounced guilty, was seized in the court room by the military, thrust into a lorry, and was driven to Mountjoy prison. As he had been arrested without military warrant or by any other legal process, application was made to the Supreme Court for a writ of habeas corpus, which was granted. The Lord Chief Justice severely condemning the unlawful conduct of the authorities. Before the actual issue of the writ the military authorities released Hooper, thus evading the process of court.

HAPPY UNION.

In the presence of a large gathering of friends and admirers the marriage of Miss Margaret Wright Parker and Lieut. Foster Tate was solemnized with nuptial high mass at 9 o'clock Monday morning at St. Louis Bertrand church. Rev. Father Heenan performing the ceremony. The maid of honor, and the bride's only attendant, was Miss Mary Louise Moran. The groom's best man was Lieut. Robert N. Montague, of New Jersey, and the ushers were Lieut. Alexander Kirby and Lieut. John Lewis. After being showered with congratulations the happy couple left on their honeymoon trip.

WILL REPORT SOON.

An exhaustive inquiry into the causes and methods of combating tuberculosis has been launched by the Knights of Columbus in connection to the decision reached at their recent convention in New York to take up the fight on the white plague. Reports have been received already from many of the Western and Southwestern States where anti-tuberculosis institutions are operated, and within a short time Dr. E. W. Buckley, of St. Paul, who heads the committee in charge of the inquiry, expects to make public the organization's report on the most effective and economical way of contributing to the fight against the disease.

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WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

A determined effort should be made to have the Senate pass an amendment which will rectify the anomalous condition created by the immigration bill just passed by the House, by which Catholic nuns and lay brothers are excluded from coming into the United States. The bill does not exclude ministers of any religious denomination, bona fide students at educational institutions, travelers or temporary sojourners for business and pleasure and the families, attendants, servants and employees of government officials. But the members of religious orders whose function it is simply to teach, and hundreds of whom have come from great educational institutions of Europe to prove the bulwark of the system of Christian education in the United States, will be excluded from entering the country if the bill passes the Senate in its present form. Practically every religious teaching order in the United States owes its foundation to men and women who have come here from foreign lands anxious to undertake the care and education of the young. Many of the teaching orders have their headquarters in foreign countries. A large number of them call upon their establishments in these foreign countries for trained instructors and specialists and even, when threatened by paucity of teachers, for assistants in the lower grades. That these men and women, who are willing to devote their lives to the training of America's children, and whose predecessors furnished the best safeguards against the radicalism which it is understood the provisions of the new bill are chiefly aimed at, has caused a profound sensation among Catholic educators.

THIS IS RICH.

That the time has arrived when the Government officials should stop the British propaganda now breeding dissension and hatred in this country is undeniable, especially when the Ulster League of North America calls upon 4,000,000 Ulstermen and their descendants living in the United States to enroll in the Ulster volunteers, a militant organization, and to hold themselves in readiness for service in Ireland, in an urgent appeal forwarded to its branches in this country. This is an insult to real Americans, who know there are not 4,000,000 Ulstermen in existence. The Executive Committee sent out from the headquarters of the League at 609 Tremont Temple, Boston, a communication reading in part as follows:

"The crisis in Ireland has reached a point where loyal Ulstermen throughout the world must step forward in defense of their principles and institutions. The Ulster Volunteer Corps is in process of formation in every corner of the globe. Send your enrollment to the headquarters of the Ulster League of North America immediately and hold yourselves in readiness for instant service."

James Ray, President of the League, commenting on the appeal for volunteers, said: "Judging from the tone of our recent communications from Belfast, I should say that conditions are looked upon as infinitely more serious than ever before. Contrary to reports emanating from Sinn Fein sources, Ulster as a whole is determined to stamp out the insidious Sinn Fein movement. We will fight to the last man before we will countenance separation from the British Empire and consent to be ruled by a hostile element."

Here is some real work for the present administration and the American Legion, which should at once proceed and round up these aliens and transport them to the country where they belong. Despite their ravings about numbers, we doubt if there are more than 4,000 of them, and not over 400 would fight unless conscripted.

ENGLISH PROPAGANDA.

The mails are being flooded with circulars urging the recipient to write his Congressman and Senator protesting against a larger appropriation for army and navy purposes, especially the latter. If traced down it will be found that this propaganda is being circulated by secret agents of the British Government. John Bull is up to his old tricks and wants to lull America into a false security with stories of disarmament, while he and Japan prepare secretly to defeat and

crush their strongest commercial rival at the proper time. Write your representative instead to vote for a bigger army and navy, and thus prepared we can defy John Bull and his yellow ally.

THE POPE'S EDICT.

The Holy Office at Rome, speaking for His Holiness, has issued a decree urging Bishops and priests to watch the activities of the Y. M. C. A., charging that while that organization professes absolute freedom of thought in religious matters, it instills indifference and apostasy to the Catholic religion in the minds of its adherents. The decree is not surprising to Catholics who know how the Y. M. C. A. has discriminated against them, and refuses to recognize a Catholic as a Christian, and a Catholic applicant for membership is classed as an "associate" member and placed in the same category as a Chinese or Japanese or some other heathen race. Incidentally the Y. M. C. A. has an unwritten law that only 7 per cent. of Jews may be admitted.

TAKING NO ACTION.

The State Department at Washington is going to investigate charges made by Mrs. Annot E. Robinson, of Manchester, England, that American Consul Wells, at Manchester, had attempted to prevent her from coming to this country to testify before the commission of the committee of 100 investigating conditions in Ireland. Consul General Skinner, at London, has been asked for a full report of the circumstances surrounding the case of Mrs. Robinson's passport. Meanwhile no action will be taken by our Government in regard to the refusal to vize the passports of the committee of 100. It would be interesting to know why.

THE WORST YET.

That Government officials, taking advantage of advance information obtained in their confidential positions, participated in a "rakeoff" of millions of dollars, was disclosed before the Senate investigating committee last week. This is worse than we had anticipated. We blamed the operators and the brokerage firms as well as the dealers for profiteering. When Government officials get mixed up in the scandal it is time for effective action. Yet we doubt whether any punishment will be meted out to the offenders. Government has shown itself to be powerless, against the profiteers.

TRUCE TALK ENDED.

There is an end of "truce talk" in Ireland. It is reported that negotiations have fallen through. We never expected anything else. Lloyd George wanted the truce to be a one-sided affair—all the Irish to deliver up their arms, and to place themselves at the mercy of the British Government, while the "Black and Tans" were to continue their murders and burnings as usual. Only one answer could be returned to such a proposal. We expect the terrible conditions in Ireland to continue. But the Irish Republican army has not surrendered unconditionally.

EXTERMINATION POLICY.

Lloyd George and the British Government continue their policy of extermination in Ireland, the murdering of men and women being part of their daily calendar. The British Labor party after careful investigation reported that England's reign of terror and anarchy in Ireland was on a parallel with any story of savagery and brutality in the world's history.

Appreciating your good will and patronage, it is our sincere wish that the New Year greet you with success and happiness.

LOCATE DE VALERA.

Eamonn De Valera, President of the Irish Republic, who went into seclusion several weeks ago for a rest, is still indisposed in his hiding place near New York City. Harry Boland, his secretary, said Monday night. Boland, who has just returned from a New England trip with Mrs. Mariel MacSwiney, widow of the late Lord Mayor of Cork, said he intended visiting De Valera on Tuesday. Shortly after De Valera gave up his hotel suite, Boland said, he would reappear the day after Christmas. It is now known that the President has been taking a needed rest at the home of Hon. James K. McGuire at New Rochelle.

COMING EVENTS.

February 7—Pre-Lenten social of St. Paul's church, Pleasure Ridge Park, at St. Helen's Commercial Club.

SOCIETY.

John Malone has been spending the holidays in Cincinnati. James McGrath and Coleman McDevitt have returned from a visit to New York City.

Mrs. D. J. Malone had as holiday guests Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Pardee, of Ripley, Tenn.

James Houlihan, of Portecosta, Cal., is here on a visit to his mother, Mrs. Nora Houlihan, and family.

John Dugan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dugan and a student at Centre College, was home for the holidays.

Miss Margaret Beasley, who has been spending the holidays here, will return to St. John's College at Corbin.

Mrs. William Larkin and son, William, Jr., are spending the holidays with relatives at Hodgenville and Upton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Jackson, of Nashville, Tenn., are spending the holidays with J. P. Sweeney, of South Third street.

Phil Soden, the veteran L. and N. engineer, is spending the holiday season with his son, Will Soden, at Hackensack, N. J.

Miss Mildred Kilgus, a student of Nazareth Academy, returned to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kilgus.

Henry Maloney, of Cincinnati, was here during the holidays as the guest of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lynch.

J. Carlisle Schmitt, of Owensboro, was here for the holidays on a visit to his father, Frank Schmitt, and family, of Garvin Place.

Miss Nancy Birch returned from St. Mary-of-the-Woods, Ind., to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Birch.

Miss Agnes K. Moriarty, Milwaukee, Wis., arrived last week to visit her mother, Mrs. Geoffrey Moriarty, Brook street, during the holidays.

Miss Clare Kelly, East St. Louis, arrived last week to spend the holidays with Mrs. Fred Wirth and Mr. Wirth at their home on Bardstown road.

Miss Inez Gleeson, who has been at Fort Sheridan for the last five months, has been spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Gleeson, Garvin Place.

Among the Louisville people in New York City for the holidays were J. P. Dumesnil, P. B. Sharp, V. M. Smith, T. G. Haines, R. L. Humphrey and E. L. Salter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bryan and little daughter, Harriet Elizabeth, of Montgomery, Ala., are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess McCarthy, and Mr. and Mrs. L. Bryan, South Louisville.

Mrs. William M. Higgins and Mrs. Thomas D. Clines entertained Thursday afternoon at the Clines home in Audubon Park for Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Flaherty, of Great Falls, Mont.

A delightful party was given Miss Margaret Brocar by the Eunoe Club in honor of her birthday anniversary. Those present were Misses Catherine Leitch, Julia May King, Sue Scanlon, Katherine Hasselwander, Mary Elizabeth Campbell, Antoinette Simon, Mary Catherine Kelly, Evelyn Quire, Geneva Clephas, Mary Louise Bryant, Doll Brocar.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kimbel entertained a party of young folks last Tuesday evening at their home on North Twentieth street. The usual parlor games were played and all enjoyed themselves immensely. Among those present were Misses Helen Raggio, Marietta Murphy, Aline Higgins, Margaret Riley, Irene Penner, Anna Price, Sarah May Garry, Isabelle Bohe, Regina Murphy, Catherine Brown, Alice Lenahan, Messrs. James Barry, Thomas Fitzgerald, Leo Kimbel, Harry Lenahan, Edward Murphy, Raymond Krebs, Thomas Quinn, James Malone, Andrew O'Leary, William Brown, Vernon McCaffrey.

HANLON LEAVES.

Col. P. J. Hanlon, President of the Broadway Realty Company, will leave Louisville about the first of the year to take an executive position with the Lorillard Tobacco Company in New York. Col. Hanlon formerly was in charge of the Louisville plants of the American Tobacco Company. Later he was made Vice President of the company. He resigned several years ago to look after his personal interests. While regretting his departure his friends wish him every success in his new field.

MICHAEL MALONEY.

Last Monday morning Michael Maloney, one of the best known and highly esteemed pioneer residents of this city, died at the age of eighty-two years at his home, 1231 Hull street, from the infirmities of old age. The deceased came to this country from Ireland while a youth, and spent the last sixty-five years of his life as a gardener and landscape designer in Cave Hill cemetery, where he had beautified thousands of graves. His more than three score years of service at the cemetery was not ended by advancing years, and he was on the payroll as an active worker at the time of his death. Surviving him are two sons, Capt. John Maloney, formerly a Lieutenant of the Louisville police force, who resigned and entered the army with the commission of Captain, and James Maloney, and three daughters, Misses Nellie and Annie Maloney and Mrs. Patrick Hourigan, besides many other relatives. The funeral services, which were largely attended, were held Wednesday morning at St. John's church, where a requiem high mass for the repose of his soul was celebrated by the Rev. Father Schumann, the pastor. Michael Maloney had lived an active and useful life, true to his faith and loyal to his adopted country and a credit to the race from which he came.

BELFAST APPEAL.

An appeal addressed to the Catholic people of the United States for the Belfast expelled workers' fund has been received in Louisville by Rev. Martin O'Connor, of the Church of Our Lady, and others, showing the outrages being perpetrated upon the Catholics of Belfast and the adjoining townships. The appeal has the approval of Right Rev. Bishop MacRory, of Down and Connor, and the clergy of the diocese, and is as follows:

"Owing to the Carsonite pogrom now raging throughout Ulster almost 10,000 Catholic wage earners have, since last July, been driven out of the shipyards, railroads, factories, mills and warehouses in Belfast, and the number is increasing daily. This means starvation for them and for nearly 20,000 others depending on them. Religious fanaticism, inflamed by Orange politicians, has been once more let loose upon our industrious and unoffending people and the horrors of the riots of 1864, 1872 and 1886 renewed and surpassed. In Belfast several Catholic churches have been attacked; nuns have been chased from their burning convents; over 2,000 Catholic families have been driven from their homes, their furniture in most cases being looted or burned—forty Catholics have been killed, either wantonly or in defense of their homes, and 200 Catholic families were driven from the neighboring town of Lisburn, most of whom became homeless refugees in Belfast. The priests' house in Lisburn was attacked and burned to the ground as were most of the Catholic homes in the town. The nuns, too, had to fly for their lives. The amount of property lost or destroyed in Belfast is estimated at over £1,500,000. In the little town of Lisburn it exceeds the relatively enormous sum of \$500,000. In Banbridge, Drimore, Newtownards and Bangor, towns in the vicinity of Belfast, the houses of Catholics have been wrecked, looted and burned in a similar way. It was not the Huns, did this! When Belgium was ravaged, the people of the United States came nobly to the relief of the helpless victims of war. 'We appeal to the freedom-loving people of America for aid for our poor victims of inhuman and diabolical fanaticism. The Catholics of Ireland, Scotland and England have up to the present most generously given, to their utmost ability, in order to keep their victimized fellow-countrymen from starvation. We are now driven to appeal to the kind hearts of our Irish kin across the Atlantic. We can not stand silent and see our people starve! 'Until the rulers of 'Carson-shire' are brought to their senses at the bar of public opinion throughout the world, we have got to help the victims of this Orange brand of 'hellishness.' Until then we can only send out this S. O. S. across the seas for help for our persecuted people."

Last Sunday Rev. Father O'Connor read the appeal and at once \$100 was contributed to the fund and sent as a forerunner of more to follow. Checks may be sent to the Very Rev. P. Convery, Vicar General of the diocese, St. Mary's Hall, Belfast.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA.

Tomorrow being the anniversary of the organization of Louisville Circle, Daughters of Isabella, now one of the foremost and most active in the country, the members will follow their usual custom by attending mass and receiving holy communion at a body. St. Ignace Bertram's church has been chosen for this year and all members are urged to be present at the mass, which will be at 9 o'clock. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock at the regular meeting to be held in Knights of Columbus Hall the new officers for 1921 will be installed.

JANUARY INTENTION.

In recommending the intention for January our Holy Father has no desire to arouse hostility against those not of our holy faith. He has no purpose of inciting us to ill-will and animosity. Far from it. He is requesting us to pray for the failure of the efforts of those Protestant societies which are carrying on a campaign of ill-will and bitterness against the church in Catholic countries and are endeavoring, by every means, to destroy the faith of millions of Catholics. While we pray fervently that the poor and needy in Catholic countries may be saved from the efforts of those who through ill-will or misguided zeal would turn them from the one true Church of Christ, let us do more. Let us pray that the light may come to our separated brethren to know the true Church of Christ and that grace may be given them to follow the light.

CALLAHAN FOR KENTUCKY.

Formation of the American Committee for Relief in Ireland, with a preliminary fund of \$300,000 to complete organization work and start relief, was announced at a meeting in New York City on Wednesday of business men of Irish ancestry from various parts of the country. Cardinal Gibbons, of Baltimore, heads the list comprising the committee's national council. Morgan J. O'Brien was elected Chairman of the temporary executive committee, and J. J. Puley, President of the Immigrant Industrial Savings Bank, Treasurer. Others on the national council include Thomas P. Ryan, George M. Cohan and Nicholas P. Brady, New York; Col. P. H. Callahan, Louisville; Edward L. Doheny, Los Angeles; Thomas J. Walsh, Helena, Mont.; Edward Hines and Edward N. Hurley, Chicago; David J. Walsh and James J. Phelan, Boston; Michael F. Dooley, Providence; the Right Rev. Michael J. Gallagher, Bishop of Detroit; J. Rogers Flannery, Pittsburgh, and J. K. Mullen, Denver.

CARDINAL GAINING STRENGTH.

Continued improvement in Cardinal Gibbons' condition is reported from Union Mills, Md., where he is staying at the home of Robert T. Shriver. The Cardinal's physician said Friday that if the prelate continued to gain strength he would soon be able to return to Baltimore, probably in about a week. Pope Benedict on Sunday ordered that special prayers be said for the Cardinal.

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BASKETBALL.
Catholic League basketball followers witnessed stirring games Tuesday night, each full of thrills from the beginning until the final whistle. Mackin Council won from the Vernons and holds first place, the only team that has not lost. St. Xavier defeated Trinity Council by a big score, and in a close and exciting game the Bertrands, nosed out the K. of C. Interest in this league is increasing, as each game attracts a larger crowd.
The St. Xavier Midgets, Steurle, Smith, Ridge, Cline and Huber, defeated the Jeffersonville Juniors by the score of 19 to 13 on Tuesday. Steurle and Ridge starred for the Saints, while Hoover did best work for the Hoosiers.

PRIEST WILL BEAR RELIEF.
Hundreds of the friends of the Right Rev. Monsignor P. A. Rempe gathered Monday night at the ball of St. Clement's church in Chicago to bid him goodbye on his departure for Europe to distribute funds and clothing contributed by Catholics throughout the United States for the benefit of sufferers from the World War. Monsignor Rempe, who is one of the Vicars General of the archdiocese of Chicago, has been specially chosen for the purpose by the Catholic hierarchy in this country, and while he is in Europe is expected to investigate conditions there at first hand for the American Cardinals, Archbishops and Bishops. It is the first time that a Catholic prelate from the United States has gone on this kind of an enterprise to Europe.

MONUMENT AT LOURDES.
The Bishop of Lourdes, France, has sent an official word to the Knights of Columbus that plans are under way for the erection of a monument of thanksgiving at the sacred Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes. Marshal Ferdinand Foch has selected Michel, the well known sculptor, who created the K. of C. pilgrimage memorial medals of Pétain and Foch, to have charge of the decorative work of the monument, which it is claimed to make the most impressive memorial in the south of France. The monument will be eighty-one feet high, having at its base a chapel which will contain the names of those who died in the war. Here perpetual service for the hero dead will be held.

WARNING SOUNDED.
Warning against the intrusion of certain forms of organized bigotry from the extreme South into the North has been sounded by William J. McGinley, of New York, Supreme Secretary of the Knights of Columbus. Reports state that the Ku Klux Klan is organizing a branch in New York and branches in Chicago and other cities. The Commander, or 'Supreme Wizard,' as he is styled, of this organization, it is reported, says there are thousands of newly initiated citizens of this invisible empire. From what we know of this organization and simi-

lar societies through their operations in the extreme South, we feel justified in warning all American citizens against 'invisible empires' whose power is seemingly aimed at the peace and well being of citizens. Catholics and the Knights of Columbus have been and are objects of open hostility on the part of these organizations in the extreme South. We shall no longer lightly tolerate active bigotry that aims to disturb the peace of society by stirring up unfounded suspicions among persons of different religious views. The Knights of Columbus profess no invisible power. The record of the K. of C. during the war and after the war and long before the war is plain. We have served the country quite invisibly and intend to continue that service. And we intend, so far as possible, to make fomenters of religious calumny and discord legally responsible for their acts."

ALUMNAE IS WELCOME.
Mrs. John McNairy, President of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, announces that the fifth biennial convention of the organization will be held in Louisville in October, 1932. Under the by-laws of the Federation the time and place of its general conventions are fixed by the President with the concurrence of the Executive Board. The latest biennial meeting was held last October in Boston, attended by 138 delegates, fifty-five alternates, nine supreme officers and Governors from twenty States. Thirteen international chairmen were also present. As the organization is now firmly established in its process of extension in various quarters in which it was not previously existent, its numerical strength of 25,000 is expected to show a considerable growth by the time the next convention will have assembled. Local units will give the alumnae a real Kentucky welcome.

INCORPORATED.
The National Catholic Welfare Council has been incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia, with Cardinal Gibbons, George E. Hamilton, and Rev. John J. Burke, C. S. P. General Secretary of the Council, as the incorporators. In the articles of incorporation, filed with the recorder of deeds of the District of Columbia, the objects and business of the corporation, to encourage, promote and carry on all Catholic activities in the United States; to organize and conduct social welfare work at home and abroad; to aid in education, care for immigrants and generally to enter into and promote by instruction, publication and direction, the objects of its being.

HOLLAND AT VATICAN.
Approval having been given by the Dutch Chamber to the bill providing for the establishment of a permanent minister at the Vatican, it is reported, the Holy See soon will appoint a Nuncio to The Hague. No Papal representative has been at the Dutch capital since diplomatic relations with that country were interrupted in 1907 with the recall of Monsignor Rodolfo Giovannini. The Dutch Foreign Minister then had failed to invite the Pope to The Hague.

START RIGHT.
Everyone is invited to start the New Year right by attending the entertainment to be given by the ladies of St. Charles Borromeo church, Twenty-seventh and Chestnut, next Monday evening. All are urged to be on hand by 8:30 o'clock, when the going taps. A jolly evening is assured those who are present.

SENTENCE FOR COUNTESS.
In Dublin on Tuesday the Countess Georgina Markievicz, who was tried by a court-martial on a charge of conspiracy to organize a sedition society, was sentenced to two years at hard labor in prison. The specific allegation against her was that between January, 1918, and September, 1920, she had plotted to organize a "Finnian Eireann," or Sinn Féin Boy Scouts' Society. This organization has been charged with the conspiracy to murder military police.

LABOR FOR FREEDOM.
The Louisville Trades and Labor Assembly at its meeting this week passed resolutions calling for the freedom of Ireland. The same action has been taken by the American Federation and the central labor bodies in all our larger cities.

LEXINGTON.
There was a happy observance of Christmas and the holiday season at Lexington, which was marked by special services in all the Catholic churches and many home gatherings. Misses Katherine Byrnes, Katherine Morey, Martha Fallon and Dolly Traynor were home from Nazareth Academy for Christmas, and James Byrnes, Mosey and Gerald Reagan arrived from St. Mary's College, Kas., to spend the holidays.

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PUSHING CAMPAIGN.
Two English labor leaders, Messrs. O'Grady and Will Thorne, both members of Parliament, are pushing their campaign for self-determination for Ireland with great vigor. Meetings are being held all over England for this purpose, and the great mass of British trade unionists are heartily supporting the campaign. Indeed it is hard to see how thoughtful Englishmen can be opposed to a free Ireland; for it goes without saying that a free and prosperous and populous Ireland would be a tower of strength to the Empire because it would be to her interest to see that her neighbors who is her best customer would come to no harm. England herself would be the bigger gainer, inasmuch as the cost of defending the Irish coast line would be saved, and her fleets would be free to concentrate on the defense of England herself when the occasion arose. As it is, Ireland is now the one weak spot in the imperial armor, and with the development of the aeroplane and submarine, a host of Ireland would make England's defeat in a conflict with a great power, a certainty.

LADY GEDDES' UPTILTED NOSE.
The impudence of the female English boudiers passes all imagination. The Geddes woman, if you please, would tell Americans whom they should receive and whom they shouldn't! Geddes is some kind of a Scotch rags, bottles, sacks man, who for the usual dirty work gets one of the inferior titles and is sent over to Washington to continue his favorite occupation. His wife, who no doubt was, in her day, a thrifty and hard-working helpmeet, has now blossomed out as Leedy Geddes—no less. She might sport her titles, for all we care, if she had only minded her own business. She objected to Mrs. MacSwiney—if you please, Mrs. MacSwiney, independent entirely of her personal attainments and her dignity as wife of one of earth's great martyrs, comes of a family who wouldn't tolerate the Geddes within a mile of their kitchen. When the forbears of the Geddes clan were warming their heavy shins at a tinker's fire in crazy Scotland, the people of the Irish lady dwelt in honor among their own, in a country where blood is indeed much esteemed, but breeding more.—San Francisco Leader.

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Nashville rush-hour traffic is handled by 149 cars—one car for 939 inhabitants; 105 cars per 100,000 of population. The fare is 7 cents, four tickets for 25 cents.

Cincinnati car riders, with approximately the same rush-hour service as Louisville gets, pay cash fare of 9 cents, tickets 8-1/2 cents.

In Columbus, a city of approximately the same population as Louisville, 208 cars are provided for rush-hour traffic—one car for 1,144 inhabitants; 87 cars per 100,000 of population. The fare is 6 cents.

In Seattle, where municipal ownership is receiving a trial, 412 cars serve a population of 315,000—one car for 766 inhabitants; 131 cars per 100,000 of population. The fare is 10 cents cash, with tokens now costing 6-1/4 cents to be 8-1/3 cents January 8, 1921.

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It was announced at the meeting of Division 4, A. O. H., Monday evening in Bertrand Hall that quite a spirited race is on in the popularity contest which is now being conducted in conjunction with the disposal of the \$200 Victoria by the division. The following is the vote of the leaders to date: Miss Hattie McDermott, 3,000 votes; Miss Catherine Frayne, 1,200; Miss Edith Koch, 1,200; Miss Margaret Burke, 1,000; Miss Lula Dennis, 1,000.

COUNCIL ON RECORD.

The City Council of Chicago at its meeting last week unanimously adopted a resolution condemning the armed invasion of Ireland by England.

ENJOY DANCE.

Among the several attractively planned entertainments given during the Christmas holidays was the dance of the Daughters of Isabella on Tuesday evening at the Tyler Hotel. Following the grand march old-fashioned and modern dances were enjoyed and a splendid time delighted the many who attended.

ORPHAN SOCIETY.

Officers of the St. Joseph Orphan Society will be installed at the annual meeting to be held on Sunday, January 9. The Christmas celebration of the society will be held at the St. Joseph's Orphans' Home next Tuesday.

FORTY HOURS.

The Forty Hours' prayer will open at St. Peter's church tomorrow morning with high mass and exposition, continuing until Tuesday. There will be special services Sunday and Monday evenings, and all people are urged to assist at these devotions.

NEW YEAR HOLY DAY.

This Saturday, New Year's day, is a holy day of obligation in the United States, in honor of the Circumcision of Our Lord, who received the name Jesus, which signifies Savior and which was given to Him by the angel before He was born.

THERE'S A REASON.

Despite the cold weather this past week Tom Lynch, the popular freight department superintendent of the I. C. R. R., walked around with coat very much unbuttoned. The mystery was solved when it was learned that he was the recipient of a handsome gold watch chain from his fellow employees on Christmas day.

BISHOPS FOR AMERICA.

According to Rome press dispatches the Consistorial Congregation is examining into the appointment of new Bishops for Wichita, Kan., Springfield, Mass., and Pittsburgh, Pa. Decision is expected soon unless unforeseen difficulties arise.

GUESTS OF SENATOR.

Mrs. Muriel MacSwiney, widow of the late Lord Mayor of Cork, and the latter's sister, Miss Mary MacSwiney, were Christmas guests at the home of United States Senator David J. Walsh in Clinton, Mass. They arrived Friday night, accompanied by Harry Boland, secretary to Eamon De Valera, and were entertained by the Senator's brother, Major Thomas L. Walsh, and his sister, Miss Mary Walsh.

PRAYERS FOR CARDINAL.

The Associated Press cables that the Pope, re-establishing the traditions of his predecessors, celebrated three midnight masses in the Pauline Chapel Christmas, which was beautifully decorated with flowers and glittering with candles. All members of the ecclesiastical and lay court were present, together with the entire personnel of the Apostolic palace and a limited number of distinguished guests. The Pope uttered a special prayer for the recovery of Cardinal Gibbons and the preservation of his life.

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